

Law (Education) (1925) Department.

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G.O. No. 1902

DATED 3. 11. 1925

[Despatch Abstract.]

Educational Rules

Jogis of South Kanara
included in the list of backward
classes - other than ~~but~~ depressed
classes

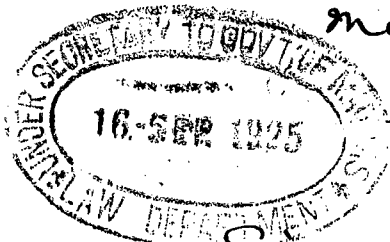
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The Secretary to Government
Law General (Education) Department,
Madras L.C. 3543A

Humble petition of B. Ramappa,
merchant, Balmatta Road,
Mangalore

Dated 13. 9. 1925



Sir,

As a member of the Jogi Community of South Kanara, I feel it my humble duty to bring the following grievance to the kind notice of the Government in the hope that it will meet with due consideration.

The said Jogi Community appears against no. 25 in the list of Depressed classes as per the amendment published at page 248 of the Fort St. George Gazette, Part I B. dated 23.6.25.

So far as I know this Community was declared a few years ago as backward for purposes of Education and was listed among the backward classes.

In the present classification, Communities of equal, nay, inferior status, are included in the category of classes other than the depressed.

In these circumstances, I humbly pray that the Jogi Community may be kindly expunged from the list of Depressed Classes and

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the fact notified in [✓] the Gazette, after inserting
the name of the Community in the list of
classes other than the Depressed. For which
act of kindness I shall ever remain grateful

I beg to remain,
Sir

Your most obedient servant,

B. Ramapala

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The Secretary to Government,
Law General Department

Madras.

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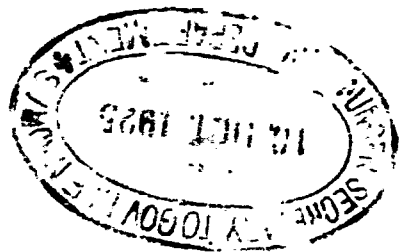
2. The said Jogi community appears against no. 25 in the list of Depressed classes as per the amendment published at page 248 of the Fort St Gazette Part II-B. dt 23.6.25. So far as I know this community was declared backward a few years ago only for purposes of education and was listed among the backward classes

3. In the present classification, communities of equal, nay, inferior status, are included in the category of classes other than the Depressed.

4. In these circumstances, I humbly pray that the Jogi community may be kindly expunged from the list of Depressed classes and the fact notified in the Gazette after inserting

the name of the Communities in the list of
the classes other than the Depressed.

5. I submit that I have already
brought the above facts to your notice in my
petition dated 13.9.25 and have not as
yet been favoured with any endorsement



I beg to remain,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
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C.No. 2937 C. Petition from B. Ramappa, Merchants, Mangalore, dated
13th September 1925.

Subject:- Inclusion of the Jogi community among the depressed
classes.

Prior to the issue of G.O.No. 855 Law (Education),
dated 19th May 1925, there was only one homogeneous list
of backward classes. In the G.O. referred to above it
was ruled that converts to Christianity from the
depressed classes ~~shall~~ shall not ~~forfeit~~ forfeit
their eligibility for half fee concessions because of
their conversion to Christianity. It therefore became
necessary to split up the list of backward classes into
(i) 'depressed classes' and (ii) 'classes other than
depressed classes'. The list was accordingly split up
by the D.P.I. in consultation with the Commissioner of
Labour. In the revised list the name of 'Jogi' appears
under the section headed 'depressed classes'. The
petitioner takes exception to this classification and
feels that the status of the community is injured by
being included under the category of depressed classes

2. From the Press Communique relating to the
depressed classes issued by the Revenue department in
1920, it is seen that the Govt. of India have divided
the depressed classes into

- (a) Aboriginal and hill tribes.
- (b) Criminal tribes and
- (c) Untouchables.

and that the '~~Jogis~~ Jogis' of the districts of North
Arcot, Chingleput, Chittoor, South Arcot and Nellore are
reckoned as criminal tribes. The difficulty of giving
an enumeration of the criminal tribes in the Presiden-
cy is recognised in the Press Communique. The Press
Communique says "it is rare to find a whole caste or
tribe which has thieving as its chief profession and it
would be unjust as well as incorrect to stigmatise the

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p. 29 of G.O. 1212 d.F.
(H) 24.7.25

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G.O. 855 d.
(C) 14.5.25

No: 25 in Section I of
the list at p. 4 of
G.O. (C)
c.f.

p. 3 of G.O. 559 Rev.
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para 15- p. 9 ibid.

para 14 — ibid

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" whole tribe as criminal for the sake of an erring
" section of its members * * . The
" 'Jogis' are beggars and pig.breeders as a caste; some
" of them are employed as cultivators, destroyers of
" pariah dogs and scavengers, it is a comparatively
" small section who go in for robbery and dacoity".

3. It is apparently the case that the Jogis
of the South Kanara District, the district to which
the petitioner belongs are not criminals and accordingly
do not come within the fold of the depressed classes.
For orders whether for the class name "Jogi" we may
substitute

Jogi (North Arcot, Chingleput, Chittoor,
South Arcot, and Mellore).

4. The D.P.I. may be consulted u.o.



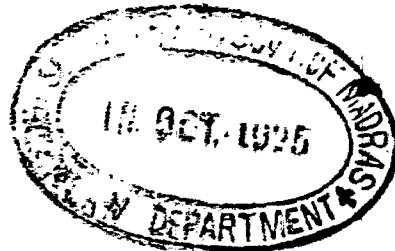
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P.T.O.

Prior to the issue of G.O.No.855 L.E.,dated 19-5-1925 the Jogi community was included in the list of backward communities for purposes of fee concession under Rule 92 M.E.R. The Press Communique relating to the depressed classes issued by the Revenue Department in 1920 does not refer specifically to the Jogis of South Kanara but gives an account of the Jogis in general. Jogis of South Kanara called Jogi Purushas in Thurston Vol.II, pp 499-500 are apparently superior in social habits, manners and customs to the Jogis in general. In view of the above facts Government may declare that Jogis or Jogi Purushas of South Kanara are not included among Jogis for purposes of G.O.No.855 L.E.,dated 19-5-25. The Jogis of South Kanara may, it is suggested, be included among "Castes other than depressed classes"

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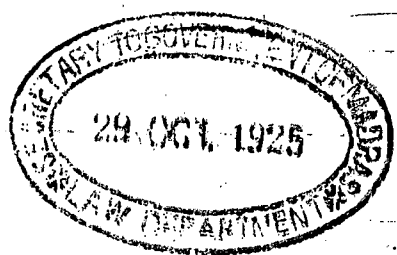
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Educational Rules, insert

Topic of "Sanku Karmam" as
item 31, the preceding items
being renumbered.

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To M. R. Ry. B. Ramappa,
Merchant, Baburatta Rd.,
Mangalore

- .. D. P. J.
- .. Law (Genl) Dept
- .. A. G.
- .. L. S. G. Dept
- .. S. G. P. (for publication of
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Done...
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